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SUBJECT: DRAFT REPORT OF THE U.S.-EGYPTIAN JOINT WORKING  
GROUP ON MEDICAL COOPERATION

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1. BEGIN LOU. COOPER REQUESTS THAT EMBASSY IF AT ALL POSSIBLE  
PASS DRAFT DOCUMENT PARA 2 TO MINISTER OF HEALTH MOHY EL-DIN  
PRIOR HIS DEPARTURE FOR U.S. WE ASSUME ON JULY 5. "AGREEMENT"  
AS PROPOSED BY MOH HAS BEEN RECAST AS "REPORT OF JOINT  
WORKING GROUP ON MEDICAL COOPERATION" AFTER EXTENSIVE REVIEW  
BY U.S. G. AGENCIES CONCERNED AND INABILITY IN TIME  
AVAILABLE TO OBTAIN FULL U.S. G. CLEARANCE AS REQUIRED FOR AN  
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AT A LATER DATE BUILT ON CONTENT OF DRAFT DOCUMENT. DEPARTMENT  
AND HEW, CONCUR WITH EMBASSY RECOMMENDATION THAT NEW  
AGREEMENT FOR NAMRU III NOT REPEAT NOT BE TIED TO HEALTH  
REPORT OR AGREEMENT. DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN NAVY AND MINISTER

COULD PROCEED DURING COURSE OF JWG CONCERNING SEPARATE AGREEMENT. PLEASE INFORM MINISTER SUBSTANCE OF THIS CONSIDERATION. END LOU.

2. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. BEGIN TEXT:

DRAFT REPORT OF THE U.S.-EGYPTIAN JOINT WORKING GROUP ON MEDICAL COOPERATION

IN THE INTEREST OF CONFIRMING AND FURTHER STRENGTHENING THE FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN THE PEOPLES OF THE ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE SECOND MEETING OF THE U.S.-EGYPTIAN JOINT WORKING GROUP ON MEDICAL COOPERATION WAS HELD IN WASHINGTON FROM JULY 7 TO JULY 10, 1975.

WILLING TO FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THE ESTABLISHED COOPERATION IN THE FIELDS OF PUBLIC HEALTH BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AND PROCEEDING FROM THE STUDIES AND DISCUSSIONS THAT TOOK PLACE BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS IN WASHINGTON IN AUGUST 1974, AND IN CAIRO IN OCTOBER 1974, AND FROM THE MEETINGS AND DISCUSSIONS THAT TOOK PLACE LATER BETWEEN SPECIALISTS AND EXPERTS FROM BOTH SIDES, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO PARTIES REVIEWED THE ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS THAT REFLECT THE PRIORITY AREAS FOR COOPERATION, BOTH IN TERMS OF WHAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED TO DATE AND IN TERMS OF THE POTENTIAL FOR NEW EFFORT PLANNED AND PHASED OVER A LONGER PERIOD OF TIME.

THEY DECIDED TO:(1) CONTINUE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A COOPERATIVE PROGRAM BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES BASED ON JOINTLY AGREED TECHNICAL AND FISCAL PLANS, SUBJECT TO LEGAL AND LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES, AND AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS (2) UTILIZE A VARIETY OF RESOURCES TO ACHIEVE THESE GOALS WHICH COULD INCLUDE, AS APPROPRIATE, FROM THE A.R.E.: MATERIALS, FACILITIES, AND HEALTH MANPOWER WITHIN EGYPT; AND WHICH COULD INCLUDE, AS APPROPRIATE, FROM THE U.S.: FELLOWSHIPS FOR TRAINING, EQUIPMENT FOR RESEARCH AND OTHER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
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PROJECT AREAS, AND FUNDS AS MUTUALLY AGREED AND (3) UTILIZE A VARIETY OF METHODS TO ACHIEVE THESE GOALS SUCH AS THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION, SHARING TECHNICAL EXPERTS AND CONSULTANTS, CONDUCTING COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS AND SPONSORING JOINT SYMPOSIA, CONFERENCES, AND TRAINING COURSES.

MEDICAL RESEARCH

1. BOTH PARTIES SHALL CONTINUE THEIR SUPPORT OF EXISTING MEDICAL RESEARCH ACTIVITIES IN FIELDS OF MUTUAL AGREEMENT.

2. THE TWO PARTIES AGREE THAT THE PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED SUB-

COMMITTEE ON BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND THE COORDINATION OF JOINT MEDICAL RESEARCH ACTIVITIES. THE SUB-COMMITTEE WILL DEVELOP AN ANNUAL PLAN OF WORK WHICH WILL SPECIFY THE JOINT RESEARCH PROJECTS WHICH HAVE BEEN AGREED UPON. FURTHER, THE SUB-COMMITTEE WILL DEVELOP AN ONGOING MECHANISM TO PROVIDE FOR THE REVIEW AND EVALUATION OF THE COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH WHICH IS UNDERTAKEN.

#### SCHISTOSOMIASIS

1. THE TWO PARTIES AGREE TO CO-SPONSOR WITH W.H.O. AND U.N.E.P. AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SCHISTOSOMIASIS TO BE HELD IN CAIRO IN OCTOBER 1975 WHICH WILL ENDEAVOR TO DELINEATE STRATEGIES FOR CONTROLLING SCHISTOSOMIASIS AND THE NEEDED RESEARCH TO MEET THIS END.

2. THE TWO PARTIES SHALL CO-OPERATE IN THE ASSESSMENT OF THE PROBLEM OF SCHISTOSOMIASIS IN EGYPT.

3. THE TWO PARTIES SHALL CO-OPERATE IN STUDYING METHODS FOR CONTROL OF THE INTERMEDIATE SNAIL HOSTS CARRYING SCHISTOSOMA AND IN DEVELOPING AND IMPROVING METHODS FOR THE DIAGNOSIS, TREATMENT, PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF SCHISTOSOMIASIS.

4. THE TWO PARTIES WILL CONSULT ON THE AGREED UPON RESEARCH PROGRAMS AND EXCHANGE EXPERIENCES.

5. THE TWO PARTIES AGREE THAT THE PRIMARY GOAL OF THIS CO-OPERATION IS TO ADVANCE THE SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE FOR THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
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CONTROL OF SCHISTOSOMIASIS IN EGYPT BUT RECOGNIZE THAT A SUITABLE MODEL OF ACTION FOR OTHER COUNTRIES AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THIS COMPLEX FIELD MAY RESULT.

#### HEALTH MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT AND MEDICAL EDUCATION

1. BOTH PARTIES SHALL CO-OPERATE IN MAPPING THE LOCATION OF HEALTH MANPOWER IN EGYPT, AND IN FORECASTING THE NEEDS IN THE EGYPTIAN HEALTH SECTOR FOR QUALIFIED PROFESSIONAL AND AUXILIARY PERSONNEL.

2. THE TWO PARTIES SHALL STUDY HEALTH MANPOWER TRAINING FACILITIES IN BOTH COUNTRIES, INCLUDING CURRICULA AND CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT, IN ORDER TO IDENTIFY FACILITIES AND CURRICULA TO SUPPORT HEALTH MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT AND TO COOPERATE IN THE CONTINUOUS DEVELOPMENT OF EGYPTIAN TRAINING FACILITIES TO FURTHER THE CAPACITY FOR PRODUCING THE NEEDED HEALTH PERSONNEL OF APPROPRIATE QUANTITY AND QUALITY.

3. THE TWO PARTIES SHALL CO-OPERATE TOGETHER IN REVIEWING THE NEEDS FOR CONTINUOUS UPGRADING OF THE MAJOR PREVENTIVE AND CURATIVE HEALTH UNITS IN EGYPT SO THAT THEY ALSO CAN SERVE MORE EFFICIENTLY AS TRAINING CENTERS FOR DIFFERENT CATEGORIES OF HEALTH PERSONNEL.

4. THE TWO PARTIES SHALL CO-OPERATE IN THE FIELD OF MEDICAL EDUCATION. EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE WILL BE SHARED TO REVIEW CURRICULA, EDUCATIONAL TECHNIQUES, LIBRARY SERVICE AND OTHER SUBJECTS RELEVANT TO THIS FIELD. SPECIAL EMPHASIS WILL BE GIVEN TO STRENGTHENING CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT RELATED TO HEALTH ADMINISTRATION, ORGANIZATION, PLANNING, AND HEALTH ECONOMICS IN EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING COURSES FOR APPROPRIATE PERSONNEL IN EGYPT.

#### DRUGS AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT

1. BOTH PARTIES SHALL EXCHANGE DATA AND INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR RESPECTIVE FACILITIES FOR RESEARCH, PRODUCTION, CONTROL AND MARKETING OF DRUGS AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES IN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

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2. THE TWO PARTIES SHALL CO-OPERATE IN REVIEWING MANUFACTURING PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE CONTROL OF DRUGS IN EGYPT SO AS TO UPGRADE THEM CONSISTENT WITH CURRENTLY ACCEPTED STANDARDS OF TECHNOLOGY.

3. THE TWO PARTIES SHALL ORGANIZE TRAINING PROGRAMS AND SEMINARS IN EGYPT FOR THOSE WORKING IN THE FIELDS OF PHARMACEUTICAL DRUG RESEARCH, PRODUCTION AND DRUG CONTROL.

4. THE TWO PARTIES SHALL ENCOURAGE JOINT VENTURES IN THE PRODUCTION OF DRUGS, MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT BY FACILITATING COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN AGENCIES AND PRODUCTION FIRMS IN BOTH COUNTRIES BUT CONSISTENT WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

#### SERA, VACCINES & BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS

1. THE TWO PARTIES SHALL CO-OPERATE IN THESE FIELDS CONSISTENT WITH THE TERMS MENTIONED UNDER THE PRECEDING PRIORITY.

2. THE TWO PARTIES SHALL CONCENTRATE ON VIRUS AND BACTERIAL VACCINES, PREVENTIVE AND THERAPEUTIC SERA, DIAGNOSTIC ANTIGENS AND SERA, AND PLASMA AND OTHER BLOOD DERIVATIVES. BOTH PARTIES WILL CONSIDER THE DEVELOPMENT OF STUDIES RELATED TO IMMUNITY AND SENSITIVITY.

3. THE TWO PARTIES SHALL CO-OPERATE IN REVIEWING TECHNIQUES OF EXPERIMENTAL ANIMAL PRODUCTION AND MAINTENANCE. ASSISTANCE

WILL BE PROVIDED TO EGYPTIAN EXPERIMENTAL ANIMAL LABORATORIES  
IN ORDER TO FURTHER DEVELOPMENT AND UPGRADING SO THAT THEY CAN  
MEET THE NEEDS OF THE EGYPTIAN HEALTH SECTOR.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

1. THE TWO PARTIES AGREE TO CO-OPERATE IN THE FIELD OF  
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH.

2. THEY WILL CO-OPERATE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SYSTEM FOR  
MONITORING POLLUTION IN AIR, FOOD, WATER AND SOIL IN EGYPT,  
AND IN PREPARING A PLAN FOR THE PREVENTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL  
POLLUTION AS FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF THE RURAL AND URBAN  
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ENVIRONMENT OCCURS.

3. THE UNITED STATES PARTY WILL PROVIDE TECHNICAL CONSULTATION  
FOR THE DESIGN AND PLANNING OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH  
RESEARCH CENTER.

#### CASUALITIES & MEDICAL EMERGENCIES

1. THE TWO PARTIES SHALL EXCHANGE DATA AND INFORMATION ABOUT  
METHODS OF ESTABLISHING COMMUNITY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES  
WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON NEW DEVELOPMENT AND MODERN  
TECHNOLOGY.

2. BOTH PARTIES SHALL EXCHANGE EXPERTS IN THIS FIELD TO  
FACILITATE THE FORMULATION OF A PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE  
DEVELOPMENT OF THE EGYPTIAN SYSTEM OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL  
SERVICES.

3. THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPMENT OF THAT SYSTEM WILL BEGIN IN THE  
GREATER CAIRO AREA, TO ESTABLISH AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE A  
MODERN AND UP-TO-DATE MEDICAL EMERGENCY SYSTEM.

#### HEALTH SERVICES PLANNING

1. THE TWO PARTIES AGREE TO CO-OPERATE IN HEALTH SERVICES  
PLANNING ACTIVITIES OF MUTUAL CONCERN TO BOTH THE A.R.E.  
AND THE U.S.A. IN ORDER TO DETERMINE HOW AVAILABLE RESOURCES  
CAN BE UTILIZED MOST EFFECTIVELY TO STRENGTHEN THE HEALTH  
SECTOR IN EGYPT. EMPHASIS WILL BE GIVEN TO RURAL HEALTH SER-  
VICES, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE SYSTEMS, HEALTH FACILITY AND  
RESOURCE PLANNING, HEALTH MANPOWER NEEDS, AND HEALTH  
INFORMATION SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT.

2. THE TWO PARTIES ALSO AGREE TO EXAMINE THE FOLLOWING  
AREAS OF HEALTH AND MEDICAL NEEDS: INTENSIVE CARE UNITS,  
TREATMENT OF KIDNEY DISEASES, PREMATURITY, MENTAL AND

BEHAVIORAL DISORDERS, DRUG ADDICTION, REHABILITATION, AND  
CARE OF HANDICAPPED CHILDREN.

3. THE TWO PARTIES SHALL STUDY THE STATUS OF THESE HEALTH  
PROBLEMS IN EGYPT, ASSESSING THE NEEDS OF THE HEALTH SECTOR FOR  
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RESEARCH AND SERVICE IN THESE AREAS.

CANCER

1. BOTH PARTIES SHALL COOPERATE IN THE ASSESSMENT OF THE  
DIMENSION OF THE PROBLEM OF CANCER IN EGYPT.

2. THE TWO PARTIES SHALL COOPERATE IN DEVELOPING A PLAN OF  
ACTION FOR RESEARCH, DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF CANCER  
IN EGYPT AND EXCHANGE EXPERIENCE IN THEIR FIELDS.

3. THE ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN THIS PRIORITY AREA WILL BE  
INCORPORATED AS PART OF THE PLAN OF WORK FOR MEDICAL  
RESEARCH WITHIN THE RESPONSIBILITIES ASSIGNED THE  
SUB-COMMITTEE ON BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH.

HISTORY OF MEDICINE & PHARMACY

1. BOTH PARTIES SHALL COOPERATE IN STUDYING AND FURTHER  
RECORDING THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE AND PHARMACY IN THE  
ANCIENT EGYPTIAN AND OLD ARABIC ERAS.

2. BOTH PARTIES SHALL ENCOURAGE SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION  
BETWEEN MEDICAL MUSEUMS IN THE TWO COUNTRIES AND IN  
PARTICULAR BETWEEN THE MEDICAL MUSEUM OF SAKAKINI IN  
CAIRO AND THE MEDICAL MUSEUM OF ALEXANDRIA FROM THE  
EGYPTIAN SIDE AND THE SMITHSONIAN MUSEUM IN WASHINGTON,  
AND THE MUSEUM OF SURICAL SCIENCES, CHICAGO, FROM THE  
UNITED STATES SIDE.

3. THE EGYPTIAN PARTY GRANTS TO THE MUSEUM OF SURGICAL  
SCIENCES, CHICAGO, THE ITEMS MENTIONED IN ANNEX I OF  
THIS PROTOCOL.

BOTH PARTIES AGREE TO SUPPORT THE NAVAL MEDICAL RESEARCH UNIT  
(NAMRU III), IN ORDER TO FACILITATE THE CONTINUATION AND  
EXPANSION OF ITS ACTIVITIES IN THE FIELDS OF RESEARCH AND  
TRAINING.

EACH COUNTRY WILL DESIGNATE ONE MEMBER OF COMPARABLE LEVEL  
FROM THE JOINT WORKING GROUP TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FOLLOW  
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UP, EVALUATION AND FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF BILATERAL COOPERATION  
IN THE HEALTH FIELD. THE TWO REPRESENTATIVES SHALL MEET AT  
LEAST ONCE ANNUALLY. THE PLACE AND DATE OF THEIR MEETING  
SHALL BE DECIDED UPON BY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO  
REPRESENTATIVES.

THE CONTENTS OF THIS REPORT ARE ACCEPTED BY BOTH PARTIES.

FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA    FOR THE ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT

DR. THEODORE COOPER            DR.FOUAD MOHY EL-DIN  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR HEALTH    MINISTER OF HEALTH

ANNEX I

ITEMS GRANTED MUSEUM OF SURGICAL SCIENCES, CHICAGO

1. STATUE OF AVICINA.
2. STATUE OF RHAZY.
3. STATUE OF ZAHRAWY.
4. STATUE OF DR. ALY PACHA IBRAHIM
5. STATUE OF IMHATEH.
6. STATUE OF TE-ANKK-RA.
7. PAINTING OF IBN EL NAFIS.
8. PAINTING OF IBN BAKTAISHU.

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9. PAINTING OF RHAZY.
10. PAINTING OF KALAWOON ASSYLUM.
11. PAINTING OF A POLIOMYELITIS CASE.
12. PAINTING OF EL DARRY PASHA.
13. PAINTING OF FRACTURED CLAVICLE IN ANCIENT EGYPTIAN ERA.
14. PICTURE OF EDMIN SMITH PAPYRUS.
15. PICUTRE OF A SCULPTURE SHOWING CIRCUMCISION  
OPERATION.

16. PICUTRE OF A SCULPTURE SHOWING SOME SURGICAL  
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